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NEWS

Share Your Memories!



Next year marks the 100th anniversary of the United States Numbered Highway System—and with it, the official establishment of Route 20. To celebrate this historic milestone, the Village of Bartlett Museums is putting together an exhibit highlighting Bartlett's 2.8-mile stretch of Route 20.

The 1965 photo above on the left, by Jack Putignano, is looking west on Route 20. The former Embers restaurant is on the left in the photo. Today the site is home to Moretti's.

Do you have a similar photo, story or memory of Route 20 that you'd like to share? Did you ever grab soft-serve ice cream at the Tastee Freez? Snap a photo of Big Ben outside the old tire barn at Route 20 and North Avenue? Maybe you have fond memories of meals at Bob's Place or The Embers? Have you ever skied or golfed at Villa Olivia? The museum would like to hear from you.

Bartlett Hills Golf Club will also be celebrating a centennial in 2026, and will be the focus of a separate exhibit. Did you ever get a hole-in-one at Bartlett Hills? Enjoy a drink or meal in the old barn clubhouse? Remember the heart, club and/or spade greens?

The Bartlett History Museum is seeking donations of images, objects and/or memories for both upcoming exhibitions. Please contact Pam at prohleder@bartlettill.gov.

**Fire Prevention Week - October 5 to 11
and the Bartlett Fire District Open House on 10/4**



This year's Fire Prevention Week™ (FPW™) campaign, October 5-11, "Charge into Fire Safety™: Lithium-Ion Batteries in Your Home," works to educate everyone about using these batteries safely.

Charge into Fire Safety: 3 Steps

1. Buy only listed products. When buying a product that uses a lithium-ion battery look for a safety certification mark such as UL, ETL, or CSA. This means it meets important safety standards.
2. Charge devices safely. Always use the cords that came with the product to charge. Follow the instructions from the manufacturer. Buy new chargers from the manufacturer or one that the manufacturer has approved. Charge your device on a hard surface. Don't overcharge your device. Unplug it or remove the battery when it's fully charged.
3. Recycle batteries responsibly. Don't throw lithium-ion batteries in the trash or regular recycling bins because they could start a fire. Recycle your device or battery at a safe battery recycling location. To find a recycling spot near you, use the link below.

From 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Saturday, 10/4, join the Bartlett Fire Protection District at its Open House at Station 3, 1575 W. Bartlett Road. It's a great opportunity for families to explore the fire station, meet the dedicated firefighters and get an up-close look at the life saving equipment they use every day.

Everyone is welcome to come experience a behind-the-scenes look at how the fire district serves and protects the community.

[Call2Recycle.org](https://www.call2recycle.org)

Metra to Gather Feedback about Café Car



Metra will be putting its prototype Café Car into service this fall, rotating it across most of its busiest lines and stations and asking riders to take a survey about whether they like the concept and about what amenities and features they would like to see.

The car will make its debut in service on the Rock Island Line on September 30, October 1 and October 2, and then will be parked at LaSalle Street Station on October 6. Riders can view the car and offer their feedback in an onboard survey. Riders who complete the survey will receive free snacks and beverages.

The car will be moved to the BNSF Line the week of October 13, the Milwaukee District North Line the week of October 20, the **Milwaukee District West Line the week of October 27**, the Union Pacific North Line the week of November 3, the Union Pacific Northwest Line the week of November 10, and the Union Pacific West Line the week of November 17. The specific schedule for each line will be posted at metra.com/CafeCar.

“We created this special car in an attempt to improve the riding experience and maybe attract new riders,” said Metra CEO/Executive Director Jim Derwinski. “This is your chance to check it out and tell us what you think. Would you use it? What amenities would you like to see? What other thoughts do you have?”

To make the prototype, Metra removed the second level on one half of a car, and installed counters, stools, booths, and tables. The interior has also been decorated so it feels a bit different from the average Metra car.

REMINDERS



It's time for Bartlett Public Works to flush all fire hydrants. This process removes iron deposits from the water mains and ensures that hydrants are working correctly.

Public Works will be flushing hydrants starting 10/6 and running through 10/24. The flushing may cause temporary water discoloration. Please check for discolored water before doing any laundry during the dates the hydrants in your area are being flushed.

Use the interactive map link to see when hydrant flushing is scheduled for your area.

[Hydrant Flushing Map](#)



During the months of October and November, Groot Industries provides unlimited leaf cleanup. Place leaves in generic yard waste bags (no sticker required for leaves) and set at the curb on your regular collection day. Plastic bags will not be accepted.

Village ordinance prohibits depositing, raking, shoveling, plowing, blowing or dumping leaves, grass clippings, branches or snow, onto any public parkway, gutter or street. Leaves and lawn clippings can obstruct sewers and cause flooding. Large piles of leaves also can freeze once temperatures drop and become roadway hazards

Meetings & Events

THURSDAY, 10/2 @ 7 p.m.
Planning & Zoning Commission Meeting

FRIDAY 10/3 @ 10 a.m. and SATURDAY, 10/4 @ 10 a.m.
Books, A/V Material & Puzzle Sale

FRIDAY, 10/3 @ 5 p.m. and SATURDAY, 10/4 @ 9 a.m.
Harvest Craft & Vendor Fair

SATURDAY, 10/4 @ 9 a.m.
1st Saturday Family Craft

SATURDAY, 10/4 @ 10 a.m.
Fire District Open House

MONDAY, 10/6 @ 11 a.m.
Fraud Mailer Seminar

National Teen Driver Safety Week, October 19 - 25

Now that your teen is ready to drive, welcome to one of the most exciting—and stressful—times of your life. Learning to drive is a huge milestone but it's not without its risks. The good news is your involvement while your teen learns to drive can help keep them safe.

Practicing with your teen driver is the best way to build experience. If you're not sure where to start, the National Safety Council's DriveitHOME Pointers for Parents will help.

When practicing driving with your teen, start with low-risk situations and work up to more complicated scenarios. Begin in daylight, good

TUESDAY, 10/7 @ 7 p.m.
Village Board & Committee of the
Whole Meetings

SATURDAY, 10/11 @ 9 a.m.
Shred Day

See More Meetings & Events on the [Website Calendar](#). Please know that meeting agendas are not posted to the website until they are finalized, generally the week before the meeting date.

weather, and on remote roads or empty parking lots. Then, you can gradually move to dusk and nighttime driving, inclement weather and busier roads. Start with basic skills (turning, parking and backing up) before moving to more complex skills. And, keep other passengers out of the vehicle when practicing with your teen. Neither of you need the distraction.

Remember:

- Be calm and patient – If you just had an argument or someone is upset, wait to take the drive. Make sure the atmosphere is right for a good experience.
- Expect mistakes – The only way your teen can learn is to make mistakes, so accept this, be positive and try to help minimize risk when the mistakes happen. Praise correct driving.
- Give proper instructions – Explain what your teen should do in advance, in a clear, calm voice.
- Stay focused – Remember that your teen is still learning, and you are the experienced driver. Scan the roadway for hazards and be ready to react, eliminate distractions, and always encourage this behavior in your teen.
- Drive the way you want your teen to drive – Remember, teens see their parents as role models. That doesn't change when they get a license. When you are behind the wheel, don't do anything you wouldn't want your teen to do. If he or she catches you – admit to your mistakes. It shows your new driver that it is never too late to start driving safely.

nsc - DriveitHOME

Now Open



Mayor Dan Gunsteen, village trustees and Bartlett Area Chamber members helped celebrate the ribbon-cutting for DosBros Fresh Mexican Grill at 1078 W. Army Trail Road.

The Dos Bros team rolled out the red carpet with warm hospitality and servings of tacos, burritos, and bowls packed with fresh, made-to-order goodness. Every bite was a hit. Congratulations and welcome to Bartlett, Nirali and Sam Patel!



Check out the brand new Squares Pizza Pub in Bartlett. Right next door to Atlas Chicken at 1048 W. Army Trail Road, Squares is serving up Detroit-style pizza that's crispy on the edges, soft in the middle, and stacked with flavor. Because round pizza is fine, but Squares just hit different.

Go show them some love, grab your first slice plus a cold drink, and help break in Bartlett's newest hangout.



Pretty Pages, 138 S. Oak Avenue, had its grand opening on Saturday, 9/20. It began in December 2017 as a handmade brand offering gifts and decor made from upcycled book pages. Pretty Pages now has an expanded assortment of stationery, books, candles, decor and gifts for every occasion.

QUICK LINKS

- * [Village of Bartlett Employment Opportunities](#)
- * [Learn more & sign up for Code Red Emergency Notifications](#)
- * [Learn about the Bartlett Connect mobile app](#)

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